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SUBJ: PRESIDENT SENGHOR CONTINUES USE GOOD OFFICES  
TO PROMOTE DECOLONIZATION PORTUGUESE TERRITORIES

REF: DAKAR 5466 (NOTAL)

SUMMARY.

1. PRESIDENT SENGHOR HAS SENT EMISSARIES TO LISBON,  
KINSHASA, AND LUSAKA IN PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED EFFORT  
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CONTRIBUTE TO SOLUTION OF PROBLEM OF DECOLONIZATION ANGOLA.

END SUMMARY.

2. ANDRE GUILLABERT, SENEGALESE AMBASSADOR TO PARIS, WAS SENT TO LISBON OCTOBER 14 WITH A PERSONAL MESSAGE FOR PRESIDENT COSTA GOMES FROM PRESIDENT SENGHOR. ACCORDING DAKAR'S LE SOLEIL OF OCT 16, GUILLABERT IS TO INFORM HIMSELF ON STATE OF MIND IN PORTUGAL SINCE EVENTS WHICH LED TO ASSUMPTION OF PRESIDENCY BY COSTA GOMES. UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN LISBON, GUILLABERT ANNOUNCED SENEGAL WOULD SOON NAME AMBASSADOR TO PORTUGAL. ARTICLE SAYS IT WILL BE PRESIDENT'S NEPHEW AND TRUSTED EMISSARY, HENRI SENGHOR. SENGHOR WAS AMBASSADOR TO BRAZIL BEFORE HIS CURRENT MISSION IN ROME AND

PROBABLY WOULD BE REPLACED AS ENVOY TO ITALY.

3. IN EDITORIAL BY BARA DIOUF WHO PROBABLY EXPRESSING PRESIDENT SENGHOR'S VIEWS, LE SOLEIL TODAY NOTES THAT FOREIGN MINISTER ASSANE SECK HAS BEEN SENT BRAZZAVILLE, KINSHASA AND LUSAKA TO COUNSEL LEADERS OF THOSE COUNTRIES TO USE THEIR INFLUENCE WITH FNLA, MPLA, AND UNITA TO URGE THEM CREATE UNITED FRONT FOR NEGOTIATION ANGOLAN INDEPENDENCE. EDITORIAL LAMENTS THAT, ALTHOUGH THERE NOW SILENCE ON BATTLEFIELD IN ANGOLA, NOTHING SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN DONE TO DEVELOP COMMON PROGRAM FOR ANGOLAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. SAID SUCH PROGRAM PREREQUISITE NOT ONLY FOR DECOLONIZATION BUT FOR FUTURE OF INDEPENDENT ANGOLA.

4. LOCAL PRESS ALSO REPORTED SEPARATELY THAT FONMINISTER SECK STOPPED IN YAOUNDE OCTOBER 15 TO DELIVER MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT AHIDJO.

5. COMMENT: PRES SENGHOR SPOKE WITH MOBUTU AFTER LATTER'S METTING LAST MONTH WITH SPINLOA. ABOUT SAME TIME HE ALSO SPOKE WITH OAU SECRETARY GENERAL ETEKI RE DECOLONIZATION PROBLEMS. WE KNOW SENGHOR HAS HAD AT LEAST INDIRECT CONTACTS WITH UNITA AND WE ASSUME HE ALSO IN CONTACT WITH FNLA AND MPLA REPRESENTATIVES. AS HEAD FIRST AFRICAN COUNTRY TO ESTABLISH RELATIONS WITH PORTUGAL AND WITH RECORD OF HAVING FACILITATED NEGOTIATIONS GUINEA-BISSAU INDEPENDENCE, SENGHOR APPARENTLY IN GOOD POSITION ASSIST WITH DECOLONIZATION EFFORTS ANGOLA.  
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